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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, DPD

SUBJECT: CORONA Participation in the National  
Emergency War Plan

REFERENCE: A. Memorandum to AC/DPD from  
DPD/C/SPB; subject as above; dated  
13 January 1962 (COR 1491)

B. Memorandum to DD/P from  
AC/DPD; subject as above; dated  
13 January 1962 (COR 1492)

1. I recommend the subject of CORONA's participation in the National Emergency War plan be reexamined. This action is warranted because several important events have transpired since the proposal was previously considered:

a. Doctor Scoville has replaced Mr. Blissell as the Deputy Director (Research).

b. In the inspectors report there was the recommendation for the development of a quick reaction capability within the CORONA program.

2. Valuable as the EWP capability is to the nation there is a bonus in establishing this quick reaction capability. In view of the conflict that is developing between the USSR and the United States over our proposal to resume atomic testing in the atmosphere, the advantages of a quick reaction capability, to insure timely information, can readily be seen.

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